

**REMARKS**

Currently pending are claims in this application are 52 – 60, 70 – 77, 79 – 93. Claims 43 – 50 have been canceled by this amendment. Claims 1 – 43, 51, 61 – 69 and 78 were canceled by prior amendments.

New claims 91 – 93 replace claims 46, 47 and 49 which were objected to as depending from rejected claims. New claims 91 – 93 do not depend from rejected claims.

Claims 60 and 77 have been amended to change “group selected from” to “group consisting of.” This overcomes the rejection of these claims under 35 USC §112.

Claim 85 was rejected under 35 USC §112 for referring to a fuel whereas claim 84 from which it depends refers to a fuel additive. Claim 85 has been amended to read “fuel additive.”

Claim 86 was rejected under 35 USC §112 as depending from claim 83 which was limited to  $\beta$ -carotene. Claim 86 has been amended to depend from claim 84.

Claims 59 and 76 have been amended to delete duplicative references to two-cycle fuels and to add diesel fuel, gasoline and resid fuel to the Markush group. This overcomes the rejection of these claims under 35 USC §112.

Claims 82 and 84 have been amended to change 2-cycle fuel to 2 cycle oil and resid fuel has been added to the Markush group of claim 82.

Claims 87 and 88 were rejected under 35 USC §112 as depending from canceled claims. These claims have been amended to depend from claim 84 which is currently pending.

Claim 43 – 45, 48 and 50 were rejected under 35 USC §§102(b) and/or 103(a). These claims have been canceled rendering the rejection moot.

The examiner noted that claims 52 – 60, 70 – 77, 79 – 84, 89 and 90 were allowable.

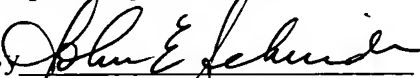
**CONCLUSIONS**

Applicant submits that the pending claims are free of the art and are in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes there is no fee due with this response. However, if fees are due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. P02917US8 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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